

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

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For: RESOURCE ADMISSION CONTROL IN AN ACCESS NETWORK

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

MAIL STOP NON-FEE AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

1. (Original) A method to guarantee for a service a bandwidth across an access network with a quality of service, said access network comprising an edge node, a plurality of subscribers being coupled to said access network, said method comprising the step of provisioning a plurality of virtual connections capable of meeting bandwidth and quality of service requirements, whereof each virtual connection is established between one of said plurality of subscribers and said edge node, characterized in that said method further comprises the steps of: